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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE**  
**ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 14, 2003**

Sir:

The Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2003, established a three-month shortened statutory time period to respond. As such, the three-month shortened statutory time to respond is February 14, 2004. This Response is being filed on

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January 14, 2004, two months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3; **Remarks** begin on page 16; and the **Conclusion** begins on page 20 of this paper.

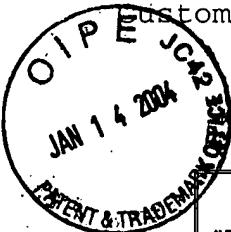
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FOR AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

- a postcard acknowledgment of receipt of papers by the Patent Office;

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- Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed November 14, 2003;

Please stamp and return the enclosed postcard.

The fee calculation for the claims as amended are as follows:

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
Total Claims	20	Minus	42	= 0	x \$18=	\$0.00
Independent Claims	4	Minus	5	= 0	x \$86=	\$0.00
					TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$0.00

No fees are believed to be due at this time. To the extent that any further fees, whatsoever, are required at any time during prosecution of this application, including petition and extension fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees, including any under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 23-3189 Hunton & Williams (Dallas) and reference Attorney Docket No. 82274.472023. Please credit any overpayments to this same Deposit Account.

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